

## Department of Community and Human Services

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## DCHS SERVICE HIGHLIGHTS for North Highline area (counted by zip codes): 2006

# Unincorporated Area Council (UAC) Support

DCHS provides direct service to the UACs in the role of the Community Service Representative,
Bong StoDomingo, serving as a liaison between the UAC and county government.

### **Mental Health**

- Mental health services are available throughout King County, including inpatient and outpatient treatment, case management, individual and family therapy, medication management, vocational training and housing assistance.
- 24/7 telephone crisis help is available through the Crisis Clinic (1-888 4-CRISIS).
- 24/7 investigation and detention services are available for involuntary commitment.
- During 2006, a total of 4544 persons were served in the public mental health system at 17 outpatient agencies. Of these, 3933 (87%) were adult aged 18 or older, while 611 (13%) were children. Total service hours were 1,180,839.

### **Chemical Dependency**

- Chemical dependency treatment is available at community-based agencies throughout King County. Services include inpatient and outpatient treatment, detoxification, opiate substitution, housing and vocational assistance. Eligibility screening is available at multiple sites, including the King County jails and state DSHS Community Services Offices.
- During 2006, 43 youth and 598 adults from the North Highline area were admitted to chemical dependency treatment.
- Eleven providers (Asian Counseling and Referral Services, Consejo Counseling and Referral Services, Community Psychiatric Clinic, Downtown Emergency Service Center, Evergreen Treatment Services, Harborview Medical Center Addictions Program, Recovery Centers of King County, Seattle Indian Health Board, Sound Mental Health, Therapeutic Health Services and Valley Cities Counseling and Consultation) served over 20 people each. Another 13 providers also provided substance abuse services to residents of these zip codes.

#### **Developmental Disabilities**

- Early Intervention/Child Development services help to meet the needs of children birth-to-agethree with developmental delays. Twelve infants and toddlers are currently being served.
- Individual Supported Employment programs assist people with developmental disabilities with placement into community-based jobs, training at the job site, and follow-along services to help individuals to maintain their jobs. Twenty people are currently receiving services.
- Pathway to Individual Employment programs assist people to prepare for integrated, community-based employment. Seven local residents are currently receiving services.
- School to Work assists high school students to leave school with a job and seamlessly transition to adult services at age 21. Five people are currently receiving services.

### Office of the Public Defender (OPD)

- Low-income people charged with a jailable offense have the right to legal services. Access is coordinated by OPD at nine sites in King County, including jails and courthouses.
- In 2006, OPD served 1329 clients in the North Highline area at a cost of over \$1,476,000. This includes 183 juvenile cases (juvenile offenders includes both misdemeanor and felony cases) and 1146 adult cases (contempt of court, felony, dependency, felony and adult misdemeanor).

#### **Community Services**

- Homeless prevention services were provided to 403 households; emergency shelter was provided for 131 homeless persons; and transitional housing provided to 380 households in this area. Emergency survival services were provided to 164 households and nutritional programs and services were provided to over 7,000 individuals and families. More than 200 households were assisted to receive permanent supportive housing.
- Seven households received housing repair services for weatherization, disability accommodation, and repairs (such as roofs, electrical, septic, etc.) totaling over \$130,000.
- A range of senior services were supported for 572 seniors and special services were provided for 48 homebound elderly persons.
- Domestic violence victim services were provided to 162 persons and 143 survivors of sexual assault received services. Twenty-three persons were provided with batterers treatment services.
- Information and referral assistance was provided to 2,128 individuals requesting information on community services.
- Literacy programs and services were provided to 75 persons.
- Intervention and treatment services were provided to 2,128 persons, including case management assistance for both youth and adults, counseling to youth in school programs, and substance abuse prevention efforts. Youth development programs helped 616 local area young people, primarily through either Work Training Programs or Youth and Family Services agencies. More than 130 youth received in or out of school employment and education assistance. A total of 20 youth were assisted through some type of juvenile justice intervention.
- Criminal justice interventions for adults assisted 167 persons.
- The Dislocated Worker Program provided services to 87 individuals.
- The King County Jobs Initiative has been playing a major role in workforce development in the White Center area by coordinating with other funders including State and local government and foundations to address the shortage of training opportunities for White Center residents. We are constantly strategizing with our community partners to increase our program capacity since many White Center residents are on waiting lists to enroll into the program. Consequently, KCJI works with the AE Casey Work and Earnings Committee and plays a major role on South Seattle Community College Technical Advisory Board. KCJI has also increasingly focused on providing job training and an alternative life vision to people exiting the criminal justice system. More than 100 persons have been served.
- In the area of housing and community development, King County is actively involved in the redevelopment of the Greenbridge Hope VI project and the Community Enhancement Initiative strategies for the White Center neighborhood.